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SELECTMEN'S REPORT,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1886.

VALUATION OF THE TOWN, APRIL 1, 1885.

Real estate,	$303,920 00	
267 polls,	26,700 00	
212 horses,	11,644 00	
119 oxen,	6,630 00	
371 cows,	9,070 00	
392 other neat stock,	5,797 00	
1177 sheep,	2,737 00	
29 hogs,	202 00	
22 carriages,	1,214 00	
Stock in public funds,	6,900 00	
Stock in banks,	10,250 00	
Cash on hand and at interest,	54,880 00	
Stock in railroads in this state,	12,000 00	
Stock in trade,	14,270 00	
Mills and machinery,	4,550 00	
		$470,764 00

TAXES ASSESSED AGAINST THE TOWN.

State tax,	$1,004 00	
County tax,	971 46	
Town tax,	3,000 00	
Highway tax,	1,149 00	
School tax and literary fund,	1,110 64	
Special school tax, Dist. No. 12,	13 65	
		$7,248 75

CASH RECEIVED BY SELECTMEN.

The selectmen charge themselves with the following sums amounting in all to eleven thousand nine hundred forty-one dollars and ninety-one cents ($11,941.91), as appears in the following items:—

To cash in hands of treasurer March 1, 1885,	$3,590 79	
taxes committed to A. Peaslee, collector,	6,311 66	
cash received of state treasurer, railroad tax,	346 95	
cash received of state treasurer, tax on savings banks,	831 25	
cash received of state treasurer, literary fund for 1885,	112 85	
cash received of county, support of paupers,	602 83	
cash received of state, bounty on woodchucks,	30 00	
cash received of Jacob C. Bailey, 3 lots sold in cemetery,	30 00	
cash received of J. C. Bailey, grass sold,	4 00	
cash received of Jacob C. Bailey, use of hearse,	3 00	
cash received of state treasurer, bounty on woodchucks,	6 00	
cash received of Alberton Peaslee, taxes of 1884,	50 00	
cash received interest for 1885,	4 98	
cash received of F. W. Smith, agent town hall,	9 44	
cash received of F. W. Smith, for wood and oil,	8 16	
		$11,941 91

In the above item of taxes committed to collector, ($6,311,-66), $75 will appear as an asset due the town as uncollected taxes,—deduct the same ($75) from the above amount, leaves a balance of $11,866.91, which balances the treasurer's account.

Miscellaneous Orders.

By paid state tax,		$1,004 00
	county tax,	971 46
	Daniel G. Peaslee, services as auditor,	1 50
	Frank M. Tappan, services as auditor,	1 50
	Martin C. Bartlett, board of selectmen,	3 25
	Selectmen, bounties on woodchucks,	5 30
	F. J. Batchelder, printing town reports and deeds,	33 00
	C. B. Osgood, repairs on selectmen's room,	1 25
	J. B. Sanborn, stationery, surveyor's warrants, &c.,	10 47
	Silas Sawtell, wood and plank for town hall,	2 77
	Jerry S. Hall, drawing wood for hall,	1 00
	Dr. Peabody, certificates of births and deaths,	75
	H. Belknap, oil can for hall,	1 30
	Parker B. Craig, cash paid out,	6 50
	M. C. Bartlett, board selectmen,	7 25
	E. H. Hadley, cash for decorating graves,	30 00
	C. H. Marshall, stove for town hall,	11 50
	Selectmen, bounties on woodchecks,	23 60
	D. D. Butman, plank for bridges,	12 80
	John M. Colby, cutting bushes,	2 50

By paid	Geo. W. Tucker, bridge plank,	$78 50	
	A. B. Jenney, supplies,	3 85	
	Page Boynton, damage done to wagon,	2 00	
	J. B. Sanborn, pamphlet laws and stationery,	1 90	
	L. B. Butman, damage to wagon,	1 00	
	J. A. Peaslee, expense to Manchester on Foster case and Concord over night,	6 50	
	Daniel G. Peaslee, special school tax, Dist. 12,	13 65	
	Byron N. Bates, putting up shelf in selectmen's room,	1 35	
	Jacob C. Bailey, use of watering trough,	3 00	
	Jacob C. Bailey, labor and cash paid for Pleasant Hill cemetery,	52 07	
	J. B. Raynes, certificates of births and deaths,	4 00	
	J. A. Peaslee, cash paid for town,	12 50	
	Silas Colby, supplies furnished town hall,	4 16	
	Dr. George N. Page, certificates of births and deaths,	75	
	Parker B. Craig, cash paid for town,	4 60	
	Alberton Peaslee, stamps and stationery,	5 00	
	Lorenzo H. True, labor in cemetery,	2 00	
	Hiram Nichols, damage done to sheep by dogs,	4 00	
	Daniel G. Peaslee, use of watering trough,	2 00	
	Alberton Peaslee, non-resident receipts,	28 44	
			$2,363 97

Breaking Roads.

CASH PAID FOR BREAKING ROADS FOR THE YEAR 1885.

By paid Orlen D. Cram,	Dist.	No.	13,	$6	00
Albert Sargent,	"	"	10,	9	00
Daniel W. Sawyer,	"	"	1,	14	15
Fred C. Brockway,	"	"	6,	21	60
Israel Andrews,	"	"	24,	9	75
Byron A. Cressy,	"	"	4,	10	70
Sumner T. Mitchell,	"	"	12,	13	80
Byron A. Cressy,	"	"	4,	2	52
Orlen D. Cram,	"	"	13,	20	77
J. A. Peaslee,	"	"	20-18,	11	60
Timothy Morse,	"	"	18,	9	92
Page W. Coffin,	"	"	11,	11	00
Prescott Colby,	"	"	19,	9	25
Albert Sargent,	"	"	10,	4	95
Sumner K. Hall	"	"	7,	9	68
George W. Eaton,	"	"	15,	14	86
George H. Nichols,	"	"	2,	10	10
Horace M. Dow,	"	"	21,	19	05
John O. Nichols,	"	"	26,	20	84
William P. Cressy,	"	"	17,	5	75
J. M. Currier,	"	"	30,	18	35
Jackson Dowlin,	"	"	23,	11	45
William Trow,	"	"	9,	7	95
Daniel G. Peaslee,	"	"	9,	23	69
Addison S. Cressy,	"	"	16,	8	75
					$305 48

Paid for Repairs of Roads and Bridges.

By paid Fred C. Brockway,	Dist.	No.	6,	$2	25
Charles B. Wyman,	"	"	10,	7	50
Ira F. Wiggin,	"	"	6,	21	53
Prescott Colby,	"	"	19,	10	00
Israel Andrews,	"	"	24,	3	49
Fred Cheney,	"	"	3,	11	54
J. H. Blaisdell,	"	"	28,	3	30
C. B. Wyman,	"	"	10,	24	47

By paid Ira F. Wiggin,	"	"	6,	$5 55	
Daniel U. Sawyer,	"	"	1,	5 00	
Daniel G. Peaslee,	"	"	9,	28 07	
Israel Andrew,	"	"	24,	4 05	
A. French Smith,	"	"	30,	15 54	
Ira F. Wiggin,	"	"	6,	4 00	
George T. Dunfield,	"	"	4,	14 77	
Carlos Abbott,	"	"	3,	18 36	
Prescott Colby,	"	"	19,	3 70	
C. B. Wyman,	"	"	10,	4 50	
Frank Murdon,	"	"	26,	13 65	
George H. Nichols,	"	"	2,	3 00	
Alden W. Rowe,	"	"	4,	16 00	
Henry McCoy, in 1884,	"	"	25,	16 63	
George A. Sawtell,	"	"	17,	5 75	
Sumner K. Hall,	"	"	7,	3 65	
Parker B. Craig,	"	"	1,	5 00	
George O. Gillingham, repairing bridges	"	"	9,	14 40	
Ira H. Sargent, work on bridge 1884,	"	"	27,	1 50	
T. A. Jones, work on roads,	"	"	24,	4 78	
					$271 98

Expenses of Schools.

By cash paid prudential school committee as follows:—

Union Dist. No. 1 (Village), Geo. W. Tucker, as reported last year, 1884,	$231	29
Dist. No. 10 (Springs), Jefferson D. Nichols,	25	00
1 (Centre), Charles P. Eaton,	34	00
2 (West), William G. Hoyt,	27	33
1 (Village), Hollis L. Blood,	150	00
8 (Melvin's), Clark Whitcomb,	15	00

Dist. No. 7	(Andrews), Parker B. Craig,	$25 00	
6	(Plains), Kendall W. Marshall,	40 00	
10	(Springs), Jefferson Davis Nichols,	30 10	
1	(Village), Hollis L. Blood,	150 00	
7	(Andrews), Parker B. Craig,	34 65	
5	(Colby's), Prescott Colby,	41 80	
4	(East), James A. Moore,	71 87	
11	(Jewett's), George Y. Dunfield,	54 46	
2	(West), Wm. G. Hoyt,	37 27	
1	(Centre), Charles P. Eaton,	69 01	
8	(Melvin's), Clark Whitcomb,	29 12	
6	(Plains), Kendall W. Marshall,	45 12	
12	(Hoyt's), James N. Eaton,	43 65	
1	(Village), Hollis L. Blood,	184 63	
Amon Jameson set off to Warner,		1 16	
			$1,109 17

Expenses of Wood Case v. *Bradford.*

APRIL TERM COURT.

By paid John H. Albin, services April term of Court,	$35 10	
M. W. Tappan, services April term of Court,	35 10	
M. W. Tappan, term fees,	8 00	
J. Albert Peaslee, services April term Court,	9 00	
J. Alberton Peaslee, cash paid witnesses, fares, &c.,	22 90	

OCTOBER TERM COURT.

John H. Albin, services Oct. term 10 days,	$100 00	
M. W. Tappan, services Oct. term 7½ days,	75 00	
J. A. Peaslee, services Oct. term 12 days,	18 00	
J. A. Peaslee, cash paid out,	41 55	
Cash paid witness fees, traveling and attendance to Court,	231 57	
A. J. Shurtleff, (clerk Court), amount of damages and costs of Mrs. Wood in case *v.* Bradford,	872 75	
William H. Manhanen services case *v.* Bradford,	4 50	
Nathaniel E. Martin, in case,	37 00	
Drs. Crosby and Gage,	20 00	
Hiram Gillingham,	4 00	
		$1,514 47

Expenses of County Poor.

By paid Greely Brown,	$55 38	
Nancy D. Hoyt,	99 75	
Mason Putney,	35 00	
John Withington,	21 64	
George Bumford,	59 17	
George Gotier,	43 00	
M. V. B. Davis,	37 64	
Dolly Dudley and Asa Maxfield,	240 03	
For transient paupers,	11 25	
		$602 86

Expenses of Town Poor.

By paid John Colby,	$57 09	
Walden Ward,	123 89	
		$180 98

Town Officers.

By paid J. Albert Peaslee services as selectman,	$78 00	
Parker B. Craig, services as selectman,	47 00	
Page W. Cofrin, services as selectman,	44 75	
Horace K. Martin, town treasurer,	20 50	
A. B. Jenney, town treasurer,	20 00	
A. B. Jenney, town clerk,	44 59	
Alberton Peaslee, collector,	60 00	
Rev. J. H. Gannett, superintending school committee,	50 00	
Silas Sawtell, supervisor,	8 00	
Charles B. Osgood,	8 00	
William G. Hoyt,	8 00	
Charles F. Davis, moderator,	5 00	
Willie J. Gillingham, services as town clerk for balance of term, 1884,	10 50	
		$404 34

Abatements of Discounts.

Abatements on books of 1884 and 1885,	$20 75	
Discounts on taxes paid before Nov. 1,	51 28	
		$72 03

Town Hall Report for the year beginning April 15, 1885, *and ending March* 1, 1886.

1885.		Cash received.		Paid out.
April 20.	Sociable,	$ 75	agent's fees,	$ .50
" 30,	Court,	75	" "	50
" 30,	5 gall's oil for hall,			90
May 1,	Dance,	1 75	"	90
" 8,	Sociable,	75	"	50
" 14,	Guy family entertain't,	2 00	"	50
" 22,	Sociable,	75	"	50

June	26,	"	$ 75	"	$ 50
July	17,	"	75	"	50
Aug.	20,	"	75	"	50
Sept.	8,	"	1 25	"	70
"	27,	5 gall's oil for hall,		"	90
Oct.	1,	Dance,	1 75	"	90
"	30,	Kittredge Concert,	75	"	50
Nov.	10,	Minstrels,	75	"	50
"	12,	Blind boy concert,	75	"	50
"	13,	Odd Fellows' lecture,	75	"	50
"	26,	Dance,	1 50	"	80
Dec.	10 and 11,	Magic Lantern,	1 50	"	1 00
"	24,	Christmas tree,	75	"	50
"	25,	Dance,	2 00	"	
"	12	5 gall's oil for hall,			90
Jan.	4,	Magic Lantern show,	1 50	agent's fees,	50
"	13,	Lyceum,	75	"	50
"	15,	Spelling school,	75	"	50
"	21,	Lecture,	75	"	50
"	22,	Spelling school,	75	"	50
"	28,	Dance,	2 50	"	1 00
Feb.	4,	Play,	2 00	"	50
"	5,	Lyceum,	75	"	50
"	12 and 15,	Nevada,	4 00	"	1 00
"	12,	5 gall's oil for hall,			90
"	"	paid for wicks, brooms, stove polish, &c.,			56
"	"	paid for wood,			3 00
"	"	drawing the same,			1 00
"		Grand Army, selectmen's room,	50		
			$34 90		$25 46

The above items show the amount of receipts for the town hall, from April 15, to March 1, 1886, including the janitor's services, lights, fuel, &c. Deduct amount of expenses from total amount of receipts, leaves a balance in favor of the hall of $9.44.

RECAPITULATION.

By paid breaking roads,	$305 48	
repairs on roads and bridges,	271 98	
expense of schools,	1,109 17	
Wood case *v.* Bradford,	1,514 47	
miscellaneous bills,	2,363 97	
county poor,	602 86	
town poor,	180 98	
town officers,	404 34	
abatements and discounts,	72 03	
coupons,	712 00	
bonds redeemed,	2,400 00	
interest accrued on the same,	12 06	
cash in hands of treasurer March 1, 1886,	1,686 28	
cash paid on outstanding orders, for school money as voted last year,	231 29	
		$11,866 91

LIABILITIES OF TOWN MARCH 1, 1886.

Total bonded debt as reported last year,	18,000 00	
Interest to May 1, 1885,	600 00	
As reported in 1885,		$18,600
Total amount of bonds purchased by the town this year, 1885,	2,400 00	
Accrued interest on the same,	12 06	
Total amount paid for bonds, 1885,		$2,412 06
Deduct total amount bonds purchased by the town, from total amount as reported last year, ($18,600 00), and we have left as the total amount of liabilities March 1, 1886,	$16,187 94	
Interest on the same to March 1,	539 60	
Total indebtedness of town March 1, 1886,		$16,727 54

ASSETS.

Cash in hands of treasurer, Mar. 1, '86,	$1,686 28	
Taxes uncollected on Alberton Peaslee's book, of 1885,	75 00	
C. P. Eaton's books,	4 30	
Charles P. Pike,	4 00	
Due from Joseph E. Nichols, hay sold Ward farm,	30 10	
Due from Charles Abbott, on Walden Ward farm secured by mortgage,	420 16	
		$2,219 84
Indebtedness of town as reported last year, 1885,		$14,480 45
Indebtedness March 1, 1886,		$16,727 54
Deduct assets from total indebtedness, March 1, 1886, and it leaves as the total indebtedness March 1, 1886,		$14,507 70
Leaving a balance against the town of		$27 25

Respectfully submitted,

J. ALBERT PEASLEE,
PARKER B. CRAIG,
PAGE W. COFRIN,
Selectmen of Bradford.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

Your auditors find the books of the Selectmen well kept with vouchers for all expenditures, and we can but say that with the small amount of money raised and the heavy expense the town has been to in carrying on a long law suit, that the interests of the town have been well looked after and the funds expended in an economical manner.

FRANK M. TAPPAN,
FRANK H. PATCH,
Auditing Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The Treasurer charges himself as follows:—

Cash on hand March 1, 1885,	$3,590.79	
Railroad tax,	346.95	
Savings bank tax,	831.25	
Literary fund tax,	112.85	
Bounties on woodchucks,	36.00	
Support of county paupers,	602.83	
Use of Town Hall,	9.44	
Received for wood, oil, &c.,	8.16	
Cash for three cemetery lots,	30.00	
Cash for grass in cemetery,	4.00	
Cash for use of hearse,	3.00	
Interest on taxes, 1885,	4.98	
A. J. Peaslee, taxes for 1884-85,	6,286.66	
		$11,866.91

And credits himself on Selectmen's orders as follows:	$7,056.57	
Paid—cash for coupons,	712.00	
cash for bonds redeemed,	2,400.00	
interest accrued on same,	12.06	
Cash on hand March 1, 1886,	1,686.28	
		$11,866.91

A. B. JENNEY, *Treasurer.*

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

Your committee have examined the books of the treasurer and find them in good order, with vouchers for every item and figures correctly cast.

FRANK M. TAPPAN,
FRANK H. PATCH.
Auditing Committee.

Bradford, March 1, 1886.

SCHOOL REPORT.

The School Committee respectfully submit to the citizens of Bradford. the following yearly report:

The school year just closed, will be found as a rule, to compare favorably with past years. It will be seen in the detailed report that follows, that none of the eleven teachers failed to realize any reasonable expectation, while some have had marked success.

Whatever may be the examination of candidates, the fact of actual trial in the school-room alone attests the qualification for imparting instruction; indeed, many of our schools are so small, and the teacher's pay so meagre, we could not in all reason demand such thoroughness in candidates for teaching as under other circumstances, but on the whole we had a good class of teachers. No radical changes were introduced. Textbooks with few exceptions remained the same. Lippincott's readers were introduced as we claim to the advantage of the pupils, for these provide, for the writing out of sentences in the different forms of interrogation, as well as in the different tenses. Harper's copy book has displaced the Payson writing book. I could not see any sense, in giving a pupil as copy such words as Quimper, Yain, Zan, &c., when some useful and sensible word could be used.

The older scholars of the Grammar school were permitted to use a new Grammar. Other than these changes, our schools have held on the even tenor of their way.

We have always insisted on quality rather than quantity in relation to the studies of the schools, and in many instances this has worked to advantage, giving the pupil more definite knowledge of the studies in hand; this has been true in several of the schools in reference to Arithmetic, Algebra, Bookkeeping, &c. Many of the schools are poorly furnished with blackboard surface, and even what is possessed in many cases, is practically unfit for use.

The ensuing year will bring some changes, the town hereafter assuming the control of the schools. It becomes all to thoughtfully and wisely consider what may be best. It certainly seems feasible to unite some of our school districts, while there are others so isolated that necessity compels non-action. Five schools have an average attendance of less than six, and seven, an average attendance of less than ten pupils. One school commenced with two scholars, and closed with one. It seems to be hardly wise economy to run a school in this way. Would not the advantage of union with some adjacent district, outweigh all the inconvenience arising from such union? Your committee would assume no more than simply calling attention to the matter, feeling assured that the citizens of the town will take such course as their enlightened common sense will dictate.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

Charles P. Eaton, committee. Miss Clara J. Nichols, and Loyal Barton, teachers. The first term of seven weeks taught by Miss Nichols. She proved a painstaking instructor and very good work was accomplished, recitations were good and order excellent.

Roll of Honor, includes the names of Addie W. Sawyer, Georgie A. Hoyt, Mary J. Sawyer, Mary B. Dow, Margaret A. Presby, Katie A. Presby, Hattie H. Cressy, Gracie E. Presby, Vina C. Page, Laura E. Hoyt, Viola E. Hoyt, Sadie B. Hoyt, Myron C. Smith. Lucy A. Wiggin was tardy but once.

The Winter term taught by Mr. Barton. The school opened with many older scholars, and there seemed a favorable opportunity for improvement. The term closed with an excellent showing. The seven classes in Arithmetic were very good, and the class in Algebra was remarkably thorough. In all the branches taught commendable progess was apparent.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

W. G. Hoyt, committee. Miss S. Belle Colby, teacher. Both terms taught by Miss Colby. The review at the close was almost perfect. This was the first of Miss Colby's teaching, and she proved herself worthy of the position, and should

be given a larger school. This being one of the smallest schools in town, and former committees having recommended union with some other district where fuller advantages may be enjoyed, your committee hereby calls special attention to this and other districts, that the town may take thonghtful consideration, and its action be wise in the disposition of such cases.

The name of Bertie L. Nichols appears on the honor roll.

DISTRICT NO. 4.

J. A. Morse, committee. Frank Halladay, teacher. This school of one term opened with only three scholars. Four entered the second week, and four more the middle of the term. In the principal studies, arithmetic, grammar and geography, the drill was thorough, and as much was accomplished as could be reasonably expected under the circumstances.

The name of Fred. Colby is found on the honor roll.

DISTRICT NO. 5.

Prescott Colby, committee. Flora M. Colby, teacher. This also is a one term school, having but three scholars. Isolated and having very little to distract the mind, the scholars made good advance.

Nellie F. Ward's name appears on the honor roll.

DISTRICT NO. 6.

K. W. Marshall, committee. Ida C. Davis, A. H. Gilmore, teachers. This was Miss Davis's first attempt at teaching and the results were highly satisfactory.

Honor Roll—Laura M. Peaslee, Minnie W. Putney, and Mortimer K. Marshall.

The Winter term of this school was taught by Mr. Gilmore, a student from Dartmouth College, who showed much care and thoroughness in all the branches taught. Mr. Gilmore proved a very efficient teacher.

Roll of Honor includes the names of Mortimer K. Marshall, Albert Trow, Joseph Trow; and three others, Laura Peaslee, Maud Gillingham, and Eva Gillingham, show but one tardy mark each.

DISTRICT NO. 7.

Parker B. Craig, committee. Hattie A. Knight, teacher. Both terms were taught by Miss Knight, who took great interest in her work, and made a good record for a beginner.

Roll of Honor for both terms—Clinton D. Craig, and Milton O. Craig.

DISTRICT NO. 8.

Charles Whitcomb, committee. Flora M. Colby, and T. O. Melvin, teachers. Miss Colby taught the Summer term of this school. (Bradford has but three scholars in attendance.) Promptness and distinct enunciation seem needful. Miss Colby took hold of her work with interest and purpose, and she labored not in vain.

Mr. Melvin taught the Winter term. He is an experienced teacher. The school closed with a good examination.

George G. Whitcomb's name appears on the honor roll.

DISTRICT NO. 10.

J. D. Nichols, committee. Louise L. Hoyt, teacher. This district had two short terms of five and six weeks respectively, and has been under an experienced teacher. Every thing was accomplished that possibly could be in so short a time. The pupils were studious and orderly, and the examinations were excellent. This school proves to be the banner school of Bradford, for the Honor Roll for both terms, includes the names of all the pupils.

First Term—Fannie A. Moore, Emily R. Moore, Susie M. Moore, Lizzie E. Moore, Mary A. Chase, Bertram H. Nichols, Plummer D. Chase, and Charles H. Chase.

Second Term—Fannie A. Moore, Emily R. Moore, Susie M. Moore, Mary A. Chase, Plummer D. Chase, and Charles H. Chase.

DISTRICT NO. 11.

George T. Dunfield, committee. Effie S. Johnson, teacher. For a school of one term, commendable progress was made. Miss Johnson was interested in her school, was patient and persevering. The examination exhibited a fair average with other schools in town.

DISTRICT NO. 12.—UNION WITH NEWBURY.

James N. Eaton, committee. Maud M. Melvin, and Clara J. Nichols, teachers. Miss Melvin taught the Summer term. She took hold of her work with interest and energy, and closed the term with a good examination.

Roll of Honor—Nettie A. Hoyt, Laura A. Flanders, Minnie B. Peaslee, Emily A. Peaslee, Flora E. Eaton, Ethel E. Eaton, and Chester F. Hoyt, making the entire number of scholars belonging to Bradford, who attended the Summer term.

The Winter term was taught by Miss Nichols. Many older pupils had entered the school, but left before the term closed. This school has been one of the best in town, and its examination showed satisfactory results.

Roll of Honor—Nettie A Hoyt, Laura A. Flanders, Minnie B. Peaslee, Flora E. Eaton, and Leland L. Eaton. Emily A. Peaslee did not miss in spelling during the term.

J. H. GANNETT,
Superintending School Committee.

UNION DISTRICT.

Hollis Blood, Thomas Nelson, Horace Martin,
Committee.

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.

Miss Sara Redington, and Miss Annie C. Smith, teachers. Spring and Summer terms taught by Miss Redington. School opened well. Enunciation seemed somewhat imperfect, but great improvemeut was noticed at the close of the term. Miss Redington had the full confidence of both scholars and parents, and retained it through all her connection with the school. The discipline was good, and the reviews were excellent.

Roll of Honor—First Term. Hattie M. Butman, Ida M Eaton, Henry W. Marshall, Lean M. Morse, and Harry L. Lewis. Second Term. Stella A. Blood, Jennie M. Jameson, Mamie Sawtell, Frank Steele, George A. Marshall, Lean M. Morse, and Harry L. Lewis.

The Winter term of this school was taught by Miss Smith, an experienced teacher—alive, energetic and faithful. The school has done well. Special advance was discovered in the Arithmetic classes.

Honor Roll—Charles E. Dolby, Willis A. Sawtell, Ida M. Eaton, Arva Nichols, and Jennie M. Jameson.

GRAMMAR DEPARTMENT.

Sara E. Clark, and Sara Redington, teachers. Miss Clark taught the Spring and Summer terms of this school. The school opened well. Some of the scholars were disposed to be troublesome, but shortly thought better of it, and the Spring term closed with a fine examination.

The second term commenced well, but the want of harmony interfered with the interest of the school. Miss Clark is a first-class teacher, but she failed in receiving proper support from both pupils and parents. The term closed however, with a good examination.

Roll of Honor—First Term. Mabel Roby, Katie M. Smith. Second Term. Fred. Martin, Robert Martin, Harlan Morse, Mabel Blood, Mabel Roby, and Bertie Blaisdell, was tardy but once.

The Winter term of this school was taught by Miss Redington, transferred from the Primary Department. Miss Redington has a good record as teacher. She came to this school with the full support of the committee and parents, and whatever inharmonious disposition manifested in the school-room, it has not been the fault of the teachers. There seems to be a certain kind of unrest, chronic with this school. During the last weeks of the term, extraneous matters interfered with the school, detracting from the studies and also causing many absences; not only this, but such noise was made in the hall above, as to become a nuisance to the schools beneath. Notwithstanding, Miss Redington did well with the school, and closed with a very good review.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Name of District.	No. of District.	No. of Terms.	Teachers.	Weeks of School.	No. of Pupils.	Average of Pupils.	Per cent. Attendance.	Average Attendance.	Honor Roll.	Superintendent's Visits.	Committees' Visits.	Other Visits.	Wages with Board.
Centre.	1	1	Miss Clara J. Nichols.	7	26	26	92	24	13	2		23	$19.00
		2	Loyal Barton.	7.8	33	29	89	26	12	3		20	38.50
West.	2	1	Miss S. Belle Colby.	7	4	4	91	3	0	2		1	14.00
		2	Miss S. Belle Colby.	8	2	1	64	1	1	2			18.00
Massassecum.	4	1	Frank Halladay.	10	11	9	88	8	1	2	1	18	28.60
Colby.	5	1	Miss Flora M. Colby.	10.2	4	4	73	3	1	2	1	6	18.00
Plain.	6	1	Miss Ida Carlton Davis.	12	10	10	90	9	4	2	2	42	10.00
		2	A. H. Gilmore.	11.5	12	11	95	10	3	2	2	10	18.00
Andrews.	7	1	Miss Hattie A Knight.	10	6	5	80	4	2	2		21	10.00
		2	Miss Hattie A. Knight.	11.3	8	6	66	4	2	2	1	19	12.00
Melvin.	8	1	Miss Flora M. Colby.	9.5	3	2	100	2	0	2		20	16.00
		2	T. O. Melvin.	11	4	3	92	3	1	2		28	25.00
Springs.	10	1	Miss Louise L. Hoyt.	5	8	8	100	8	8	2	1	4	20.00
		2	Miss Louise L. Hoyt.	6	6	6	100	6	6	1		7	20.00
Jewetts.	11	1	Miss Effie S. Johnson.	9.6	11	9	71	7	0	2		13	20.00
Union with Newbury.	12	1	Miss Maud M. Melvin.	10	7	7	100	7	7	2	1	24	12.00
		2	Miss Clara J. Nichols.	13.6	12	11	100	11	5	2		19	18.00
*Primary Dep't. Union No. 1.		1	Miss Sara Redington.	9	26	25	99	24	5	2		37	32.00
		2	Miss Sara Redington.	9	29	28	98	28	7	2	1	56	32.00
		3	Miss Annie Smith	11	27	27	92	25	5	3		63	28.00
*Grammar De't Union No. 1.		1	Miss Sara E. Clark.	8	26	24	92	22	3	3	1	28	32.00
		2	Miss Sara E. Clark.	8	30	29	90	26	7	3		31	32.00
		3	Miss Sara Redington.	11	40	38	94	37		3		43	40.00

*Formerly School Districts No's. 3 and 9.

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